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37 CFR 1.116  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Catia BASTIOLI *et al.* )  
Serial No.: 09/787,831 ) Examiner: K. U. RAJGURU  
Filed: June 15, 2001 ) Art Unit: 1711  
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AMENDMENT INCLUDING PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 31, 2003, which set a  
three-month shortened statutory period for response. A one-month extension of time to respond  
is hereby requested. Accordingly, this response is filed timely upon mailing, with an executed  
certificate of mailing, on or before June 2, 2003, because May 31, 2003 was a Saturday. 37 CFR  
§§ 1.7, 1.8, and 1.136. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$55.00 to cover the fee for the  
extension of time. With this extension, this response is considered timely if mailed on or before